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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT MORESBY 1026

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, PP
SUBJECT: BOMBING ALONG BORDER REPORTED

1. LAST NIGHT AT JULY 4 PARTY GENERAL DIRO TOOK ME ASIDE
TO SAY THAT THE DEFENCE FORCE UNITS NOW PATROLLING THE
PNG/INDONESIAN BORDER REPORTED THAT INDONESIAN AIRCRAFT
BEGAN BOMBING VILLAGES ON THE INDONESIAN SIDE OF THE BORDER
AT NOON ON THE 4TH. HE BELIEVES THIS IS IN RETALIATION
FOR THE KIDNAPPING OF INDONESIAN OFFICIALS.

2. COMMENT: DIRO WAS MUCH EXERCISED. HE SAID THIS
WAS AN INHUMAN ACTION AND RAISED QUESTIONS OF HUMAN
RIGHTS. HE IMPLIED GPNG WOULD HAVE TO RECONSIDER ITS
POLICY OF COOPERATING WITH INDONESIANS ON BORDER MATTERS.

3. THIS COMES AT AN AWKWARD TIME AS INTENSE POLITICAL
MANEUVERING HAS BEGUN IN PREPARATION FOR THE AUGUST
SITTING OF PARLIAMENT DURING WHICH THERE MAY BE A
SERIOUS ATTEMPT TO BRING DOWN THE SOMARE GOVERNMENT.
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